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Mary L. Cottrell, Secretary Massachusetts Department of Telecommunications and Energy One South Station, Second Floor Boston, MA 02110

re: DTE 01-31 Verizon's Alternative Regulation Plan DTE 99-271 Verizon's Performance Assurance Plan

Dear Secretary Cottrell:

Enclosed for filing are an original and one copy of the redacted version of the Attorney General's Initial Brief, together with a Certificate of Service in the above-referenced proceeding. I would appreciate your filing the original in DTE 01-31 and the copy in DTE 99-271. Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,

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